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In re Application of:

MASAFUMI KYOGAKU ET AL.

Application No.: 09/506,289

Filed: February 18, 2000

For: ELECTRON-EMITTING DEVICE,)
ELECTRON SOURCE AND)
IMAGE-FORMING APPARATUS,)
AND MANUFACTURING)
METHODS THEREOF.)

Examiner: R. Berry

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REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CONSIDERATION
OF PREVIOUSLY CITED ART

Sir:

Applicants have received a Notice of Allowance (dated December 4, 2001) from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) in this application. The Examiner is sincerely thanked for allowing this application. Earlier, Applicants received a partially initialed copy of a Form PTO-1449 (copy enclosed) as an attachment to the Office Action dated May 22, 2001, confirming that the Examiner considered and made of record all of the art cited in the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed in the USPTO on March 7, 2001, except for the publication by W.P. Dyke et al., entitled "Field Emission", Advances in Electronics and Electron Physics, Vol. VIII, 1956, pp. 89-185. Accordingly, this paper is

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being submitted to request that the Examiner consider that publication and make it of record in the present application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial and return that attached Form PTO-1449 to confirm for the record that the mentioned publication has been considered and made of record in this application.

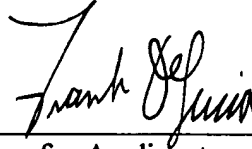
Since copies of the mentioned publication already were submitted to the USPTO with the IDS filed on March 7, 2001 and the IDS filed on June 26, 2000, no further copy of the publication is being submitted herewith. However, if the Examiner needs an additional copy, he is respectfully requested to contact Applicants' undersigned representative.

It is believed that no fee is required in connection with this paper. However, if any fee is deemed required by the USPTO, please charge the fee to Deposit Account 06-1205.

In order to complete the record, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to confirm that the art cited therein has been considered and made of record herein.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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